

McGill reporter

Gray arbitration agreement reached

Stanley Gray and the Administration last night reached agreement on three men to form the arbitration committee on Gray's case.

The three men chosen are:

- André Morel, Faculty of Law, Université de Montréal,
- Noël Mailloux, Department of Psychology, Université de Montréal,
- Walter Tarnapolski, Faculty of Law, University of Windsor.

No date has yet been fixed for beginning arbitration. However, it will most probably be before the end of the current academic year, since two of the arbitrators must be away from Montréal at that time.

Senate to urge CEGEPs review

by A. Domingo

At its special meeting held yesterday to consider the five remaining motions on Quebec education, Senate, after protracted debate and discussion of four motions, passed two of them, rejected one, and toward the end of the meeting, lacking a quorum, tabled a replacement motion.

On the positive side, Senate took the following action:

- Passed a motion stating that Senate "shares many of the concerns ...about the difficulties and uncertainties being experienced by CEGEP students, e.g. on questions such as polyvalence, curriculum flexibility, compulsory attendance, premature specialization, and an effective student voice in formulating policies."

This motion also "expresses the hope that both the Government and the Direction of CEGEP institutions will provide means and develop modalities that will enable CEGEPs to function in accordance with the Parent Report" and "specifically expresses its belief that the present 90 percent class attendance rule is harmful and should be rescinded."

- Passed a resolution which "requests the Principal to communicate the above to the Ministry of Education, and requests its representatives on all committees of the Department of Education, such as the Comité Mixte, to support the above policies where appropriate."

On the negative side, Senate rejected one motion:

- This would have urged the Government and the Board of Directors of the CEGEPs "not to adopt repressive measures against student union leaders and others."

- Finally, Senate tabled a motion, because of the lack of a quorum, dealing with "the right of Quebec residents to a full education in either of the two main languages and in the duty of Quebec educators to provide all the opportunity to learn thoroughly the other language and appreciate the other culture."

The rejected motion was amended and presented by Mr. Hajaly and seconded by Mr. Caron. Several members of the Senate questioned the competence of the McGill Senate to discuss alleged repressive actions of the CEGEP institutions, and to make recommendations to the Government of the CEGEP administration as to how these institutions should be run. More information and facts were required for a detailed study to be made. Some Senate members felt it was inappropriate and not urgent, since events had overtaken the need of this motion. It was felt it would be more

worthwhile to discuss McGill problems and business, rather than for Senate to spend its time discussing CEGEPs' problems which were of no concern to Senate. A suggestion was made that the Students' Society might take up this matter directly with the Government or the CEGEP administration.

The Student Senators reported specific instances of repression and unfair discrimination practiced against student union leaders and members of the student body in some of the CEGEP institutions. The information presented was factual and reliable. These student problems were urgent. The motion did not attempt to judge the systems of CEGEP institutions, but merely discussed the principle of their action.

Principal Robertson, giving up the Chair to participate in the discussion, referred to his statement of 26 February, about the Senate taking a position on political issues. "The Senate would only do so on a rare event after doing a full study. Such studies take a long time and a lot of work. If we do take a position on the basis of press reports and rumors, the position and prestige of the Senate would be discredited. I am completely against passing this resolution," he concluded.

The debate continued, and when the vote was finally taken, the motion was defeated by 18 to 12 votes.

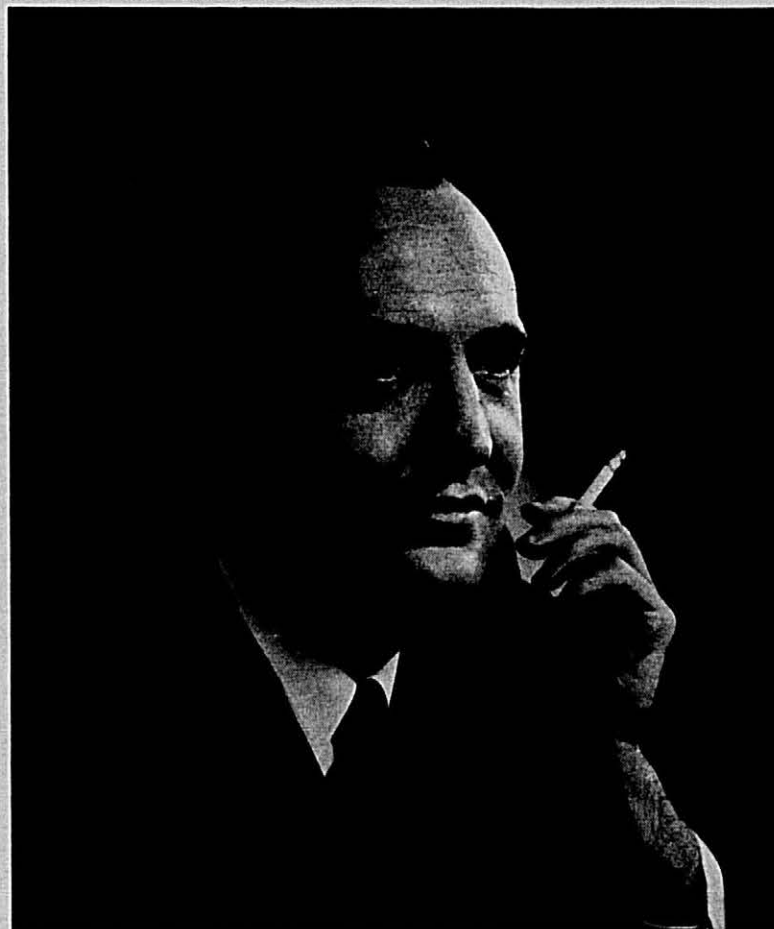
The next motion taken up for consideration was presented by Mr. Hajaly and seconded by Mr. Hyman. The motion read:

"Urges the Government of the CEGEPs to implement the principle of democratization of education, and attempt to carry out the educational reforms proposed by the students."

Some members of the Senate felt that the resolution was too broad, and should be re-worded to be more specific. Other members of the Senate argued that again sufficient information on the CEGEPs' curriculum was lacking, and the passing of this resolution might be considered as interference and intervention on the part of the McGill Senate in CEGEP affairs. Dr. Robertson reminded the Senate that the CEGEP system of education had been previously discussed by the Senate at its meeting on 18 October 1968, and in the resolutions that were passed, note had been taken that all was not well with the education provided by CEGEP institutions. Vice-Principal Oliver suggested that a resolution should be drafted that would single out those particular aspects of CEGEP education that need to be commented on, and this would show that the Senate has thought out the edu-

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Professor Raymond U. Lemieux, F.R.S., F.R.S.C.

The C.B. Purves Lectures in Chemistry

The first annual C. B. Purves Lectures in Chemistry were formally opened yesterday by Vice-Principal Winkler. Professor Raymond U. Lemieux, internationally recognized organic chemist, is presenting this year's series of lectures.

Professor Lemieux was born in Alberta in 1920, and conducted his doctoral studies in Professor Purves' laboratory at McGill. He is Professor of Chemistry at the University of Alberta, and also President and Director of Research of R. and L. Molecular Research Ltd., Edmonton. Most prominent among his research achievements are his contributions to the stereochemistry of reactions at the anomeric centre of sugar derivatives; conformational analysis; nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy; and the chemistry of antibiotic sugars.

Professor Lemieux is a Fellow of the Royal Society of London and of the Royal Society of Canada, a recipient of the Palladium Medal of the Chemical Institute of Canada, the C. S. Hudson Award of the American Chemical Society, and the Medal of Service of the Order of Canada.

Yesterday's topic was Conformational Analysis of Polar Compounds. Today at 4:30 he will speak on Solvation Effects of Conformational Equilibria, and tomorrow, at the same time, on Syntheses Related to the Kanamycin Group of Antibiotics. All lectures are in the C. B. Purves Lecture Theater in the Otto Maas Chemistry Building.